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COUNTRY Eastern Germany

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TOPIC Military Information from Gardelegen

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REMARKS

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1. Prior to 10 September 1952, the Fliegerhorst Kaserne in Gardelegen (153/Y '4) quartered a rear unit of about 50 men and an AT artillery unit of about 250 men who were quartered in 52 tents along the west side of the installation. [redacted] that a twelve AT guns were parked in the billeting area. [redacted] shipment of 170 air force soldiers and 39 trucks was sidetracked into the Fliegerhorst at 4 a.m. on 16 September. Prior to 1st September, the Remonteschule still quartered a rear detail of about 30 men and about 50 air force soldiers. *
2. At 10 a.m. on 18 September, a shipment of 8 x 152-mm guns, 8 prime movers, 8 motorcycles, 2 radio trucks and about 30 trucks with numbers painted over, was unloaded from 50 flatcars and 12 boxcars at the railroad station. Soldiers observed wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. The unit marched toward the Letzling Heath in a southeasterly direction. At 3:30 p.m. on 16 September, a convoy carrying billeting equipment and soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets passed through Gardelegen from the direction of Salzwedel and proceeded toward Letzling Heath.

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Comment. The occupation of the Fliegerhorst Kaserne and Remonteschule remained the same as compared with previous reports. [redacted] to have It is noteworthy that the AT artillery unit reported [redacted] since been quartered in tents along the west side of the Fliegerhorst Kaserne since the beginning of July 1952 was still there in mid-September without utilizing the vacant quarters of the installation. The air force soldiers possibly belong to a construction unit as, according to another report, laborers for the enlargement of Gardelegen airfield were recruited by the Stendal labor office.

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